

## The Mail Wishes its Readers a full Measure of Health, Happiness and Prosperity for the New Year

### Christmas Program Well Presented; Much Variety

Capacity Crowd Overtook Knox Church to Attend Children's Entertainment

An attendance estimated at between three hundred and three hundred and fifty people gathered in Knox Church Thursday evening last week December 22nd, for the children's Christmas entertainment. The affair was jointly put on by the pupils of Basano school, and Knox Church Sunday school. Every item on the program was well received by the audience, and many said it was one of the best presented and most entertaining Christmas concerts given in Basano in years.

A great variety of numbers were on the program, including songs, instrumental numbers, drills, short sketches, vocal solos, readings. Following is the list of numbers on the program:

- "O, Come All Ye Faithful", hymn by the audience.
- Opening Chorus—"Little Town of Bethlehem".
- "Our Welcome"—Dorothy Beeber.
- Recitation—"Bobbie Carrie".
- Elaine and Mary Sambooke.
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- Christmas Chorus—"Mrs. McKeen's Class".
- Piano Solo—"Quentin Allen and Betty Plumer".
- Recitation—"Phyllis Plumer".
- "Topsy-Turvy Drill".
- Mrs. Hartley's Class.
- Vocal Solo—"Jean Fraser".
- Recitation—"Elsie Lippert".
- Song—"Away in a Manger".
- Mrs. Knox's Class.
- Play—"Christmas in Naughty Land"—Mr. McDonald's Class.
- Recitation—"Mary Carter".
- Praying Drill—"Rev. Thompson's Class".
- Recitation—"Bobby Sambooke".
- Song—"Hazel Barlow".
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- Monologue—"Harry Holmes".
- Shepherd's Drill.
- Mrs. Hayes's Class.
- Play—"Auntie Johnston".
- George Bille and Louis Sambooke.
- Song—"In the Lonely Moonlight".
- Duet—"O'er to God in the Silence".
- Song—"Silent Night, Holy Night".
- Mrs. Knox's Class.

Santa Claus arrived after the program, and all the boys and girls were tickled to him. Santa boy and girl was then presented with a bag containing candies, nuts, and fruit, and Santa left hurriedly, promising to visit each home Christmas Eve.

Two of the Sunday School teachers, Miss Lillian Hayes and Miss Helen Nicol, are leaving Basano, and on behalf of the Sunday School, Rev. Mr. Thompson presented each with a gift in token of appreciation for the good work they had done.

### Rosemary News

ROSEMARY, Dec. 22.—The school concert given on December 22nd made up of songs, drills, plays, and recitations, was a great success. The teachers were well rewarded for the time and hard work spent in arranging such a good program. A good crowd was in attendance.

J. Jones, of Basano, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Wilson. Mr. and Mrs. Edwards spent Christmas with Mr. Edwards' folks in Marjorie.

The Tangany children, who are attending school in Medicine Hat, are spending the Christmas holidays with their parents.

Rapid progress is being made on the railroad now, and the work laid out for this year will soon be completed.

Several freighters started out this morning, but turned back on account of the heavy roads and snow that continued.

(Too late for last week)

ROSEMARY, Dec. 22.—The steel on the new railway will be laid fast.

"A. E. Beck, of Basano, was a Rosemary visitor last week.

Wm. Boyce, of Basano, shipped a carload of hogs from here on Tuesday.

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### WILL ORGANIZE YOUNG PEOPLE'S CLUB IN HUSSAR

Interesting News Budget of Hussar and District

A meeting for the purpose of organizing a Young People's Club will be held in the Hussar school on Monday evening, January 2nd, at 7:30 o'clock. All young people of the age of twelve years and over are eligible to become members, and are invited to the meeting. The object, aims and scope of the club will be varied and extensive, and will include amateur dramatics, debating, musical programs, games, outdoor sports, and a variety of other entertainment and amusement. There is a goodly number of young people in the district and it is anticipated the club will be well supported.

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### FLAMES WIPE OUT GEM STORE AND POST OFFICE

Prevent Work of Fire Fighters Seven Merchandise—Owner's Home Has Narrow Escape—Origin of Fire Unknown

The Gem store, post office, and pool room, owned and operated by M. A. Atkins, were destroyed by fire Thursday afternoon, December 28th. All the groceries, dry goods, and other merchandise in the building were saved by quick action of friendly neighbors who promptly answered the call to aid when the alarm was given. The Atkins' home, standing a few yards from the burning building, was seriously threatened by the flames, and it was only by clearing down the burning gutter that the house was saved. All the household goods were removed when it looked as though the house would be licked up in the angry flames.

The store was a frame building a story and a half in height, and a few feet from the street. The garage was close to these buildings, and a few yards away is the house.

The fire broke out in the northwest corner of the pool hall shortly after noon. Bob Radford, who manages the pool room, was out at the time, and Mr. Atkins was in the post office.

Smoke was billowing from the pool room, and when the alarm was sounded Mrs. Miller, the telephone agent, phoned to all the neighboring houses for help. The alarm was answered promptly, and in a very short time forty or fifty men were on the scene, and when it was seen the fire could not be contained every body worked hard to remove the contents of the store to safety. Practically everything in the store, and post office was saved by the valiant efforts of the workers.

The house was saved by using horses to haul down and drive away the burning gutter.

It is not known how the fire started. Insurance was carried on the buildings and stock. Mr. Atkins wishes to express his sincere thanks to his friends for their assistance.

### FIRE BRIGADE ELECT OFFICERS FOR YEAR 1928

Donates \$20 to Sunshine Fund—Dance and White Drive January 27th

The annual meeting and election of officers of the Basano Volunteer Fire Brigade was held in the Town Hall recently. A good attendance of members turned out, and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Honorary Presidents—Dr. A. G. Scott, R. S. Wright, B. T. Gray, and M. R. Milroy.

Fire Chief—T. J. Ingber. Acting Chief—A. P. Pierson. Secretary—T. J. Ingber.

The sum of \$25 was deposited in the sinking fund, to be used for benevolent purposes only. \$50 was donated to local amateur work, the money to be disposed of by the fire brigade on their own.

The meeting discussed putting on the annual wheel drive and dance, and the date of Friday, January 27th was selected for this event.

### BASANO CLASSROOM WINS STRATHCONA SHIELD

Trophy for Physical Drill Awarded to Miss Nicol's Classroom

The classroom of Miss Helen Nicol won the Strathcona Shield for the best physical drill class in the Basano inspectorate this year. The shield was presented to the classroom Wednesday afternoon last week by Inspector J. F. Boyce.

The Strathcona Shield is an emblem of good conduct, as they are the most perfect class in the Basano inspectorate, and the competition is keen. The trophy will be held by this classroom during 1928.

### HAPPY NEW YEAR 1928

ALBERTA IRRIGATION DATES BACK TO 1891

(Market Examiner) Irrigation on modern lines in Alberta dates back to 1891 when considerable tracts of land were reclaimed by the use of waters from Sheep Creek. In the following year, more extensive developments were undertaken, and since then there has been a gradual increase in the number of irrigated farms, so that in 1925 the irrigable area under the schemes in operation totalled 1,181,000 acres.

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### Firemen's Banquet Was Jolly Affair

Harry Bacon Shines as Guest Member of the Crowd

More than twenty-five members of the Basano Volunteer Fire Department and their guests gathered around the banquet board in the Hunter Hotel Wednesday evening, December 28th. It was the firemen's big annual banquet, and like the banquets of previous years, was a glittering galaxy of gastrostomy, gaiety, and gallantries.

Harry Bacon planned and arranged the meal, the program, the speeches, and in fact the whole evening's entertainment, and he made a good job of it. He sat at one end of the long table, and was the personification of good food and good fellowship.

Dr. A. G. Scott was toastmaster, and he very ably filled the position, and kept the proceedings going at a lively rate with his jokes and good natured banter.

The only war on the evening's pleasure was a certain restlessness observed in some of those present which displaced itself in vigorous displays of good food and good fellowship.

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## No Disfiguring Blemishes to Hide

If Cuticura Soap is used daily, assisted by Cuticura Ointment when necessary, they do more to prevent blemishes, pimples, and other unsightly eruptions, and to promote permanent skin health.

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## Take Necessary Precautions

Canadians have no reason to apologize for the climate of their country, even in periods of severe winter cold, on the contrary they are proud of the fact that in no many respects, the Canadian winter is a very real asset to the Dominion. There is nothing concerning about the climate of Canada, to it is due the high quality of the grain produced. It is largely responsible for the fact that Canadians are a hearty, robust, healthy people, full of initiative and energy. It is not a climate in which idlers and slackers survive, consequently it develops a progressive, industrious people.

But just as in the tropics people must exercise certain precautions during seasons of intense heat, so must Canadians take precautions during periods of intense cold, or in stormy seasons. To neglect common sense precautions at such times is to invite disaster.

During a blizzard which recently raged across a portion of Western Canada and the Western United States, a little child of seven years was stricken to leave his home for the rural school he attended some distance away. He lost his way, became utterly exhausted, and his health was ruined. Such a tragedy is the result of not taking the very natural precaution of keeping a young child home at such a time. It was foolishly in the extreme to allow the child to venture out.

The Saskatchewan Department of Education has issued a timely warning to parents and teachers to exercise care in permitting children to proceed to and from school in very severe cold weather, when strong winds prevail during severe cold or a blizzard threatens. The Departmental warning points out that "it is better to keep a child home than to risk a tragedy, or, if adverse weather conditions should arise, to permit the children to remain in the school until they can be safely conveyed home."

An estimate with conditions only a comparatively few years ago, when rural telephone wires were few and far between, the prairies of Canada are now criss-crossed with rural telephone lines. Nearly every rural school in the province is furnished, and an instrument is to be found in the great majority of farm homes. Good use should be made of them in the winter suggested by the Saskatchewan Department of Education.

Commenting on the above official warning, one Saskatchewan parent correctly says that "it is a good idea to keep the children at home in severe weather, and that the father does not know what the parents are doing that such deplorable accidents as did happen in the recent storm occur."

In severe cold weather the number of tragedies from fire also largely increase. Heating fires are built before the family retires for the night, or before leaving the house for an evening in order that it may be warm on their return. Fires occur too frequently with calamitous results. Sometimes the stove is checked too tightly and while the family sleeps the house fills with gas.

All of which only serve to emphasize the need of taking every possible precaution while coping up with the problems which severe cold weather brings for a few weeks during the height of the Canadian winter.

## Medical Science Wins Again

## Expert Will Conduct Research

Displaced Heart Of Montreal Boy Put Back Into Place

Medical science was another battle against death when the heart of a two-year-old Louis (Tony) Sanbon, a Montreal child, was placed back into place, which had been displaced when he was struck by a motor truck, was put back into place again.

When the lad was brought into the Montreal General Hospital it was found that the entire contents of the stomach had been displaced. The child's young body pumped more air into the pleural cavity, pushing the heart to the right side of the body and into the chest cavity. Dr. Guy Johnson remedied this condition and the heart in place of the enormous displacement, and took into normal position, and functioned as before.

## Not Using Home Supply

Mineral Fertilizers In B.C. Worth Millions Of Dollars

While millions of dollars worth of mineral fertilizers are locked away in the hills of Vancouver Island awaiting development, British Columbia is importing material to meet the needs of its farmers. The province is rich in mineral resources from Northern Borneo. Steamships arriving recently from Rotterdam and Hamburg brought 11,421 bags of super-phosphate, 100,000 of spent calcium, and 3,000 metric of potash fertilizer.

If a man were as strong in comparison to his size as a flea he could pull a newton-ton load on a wagon.

No disappointment can be quite as intolerable as disappointment in oneself.

Recently London cable told of legs were pulled from a man in England this year.

## MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

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Cancer Theory May Be Tested On Isle Of Man

As soon as the sanction of the Ministry of Health is obtained, the tale of the cancer theory will be tested on a small island in the English Channel. The theory was advanced by Dr. Louis Sanbon, one of the world's leading cancer experts.

He plans to make a minute examination of the flora and fauna of the island and to leave to insects to be introduced to the island. The theory is that the insects will spread the disease. Dr. Sanbon, who is working under the direction of the British School of Tropical Medicine, has introduced the theory to the island.

With the aid of three men and medical registers he plans to make a thorough check-up on all the island districts of persons who died from cancer in the last fifty years and all cancer victims now living.

"If my previous experience counts for anything," he said, "I will discover that cancer clusters in well-defined areas where the people living there are able to be attacked."

"My colleagues and I will then conduct a minute examination of the terrain in each district, especially rats, mice, and other animals, and various kinds of worms. We have already established a theory and we want to see how it is supported."

Dr. Louis Sanbon, an authority on tropical diseases, who almost 20 years ago reported the cause of malaria and later investigated the cause of malaria when he lived in the mosquito-infested Roman Campagna, has in recent years devoted his attention to cancer.

## What An Exam Means

It doesn't take Charles Chamberlain who drew over the Atlantic, but failed in his examination for a license as an aeronaut. No examination reaches none of the qualities of courage, presence of mind and good judgment.

Misses: "Can you prepare my foreign dress, Bridget?"

New Cook: "Sure I can man— I'll wash the dishes, wash the windows, and wash the potatoes."

Temperature has marked effect upon the activities of equine.

## Proposed Medal For Lindbergh

Highest Award In The World From The Hands Of Airman

The "Grand Gold Medal" of the Federation Aeronautique Internationale, world governing body for aircraft performance, was proposed for Charles G. Lindbergh by J. Peter Adams, president of the National Aeronautics Association.

The medal is described as the highest award in the world from its hands of airman, and it is planned to have it awarded to Lindbergh at a meeting of the Federation in Paris, where Mr. Adams' recommendation was made in a letter to Paul Tissandier, secretary-general of the Federation.

## Conference On Wireless

Imperial Government To Invite Representatives Of Dominions

The Governments of the British Dominions and India have been invited by the Imperial Government to name representatives to attend a conference in London with regard to questions relating to cable and wireless communications, according to a statement by Postmaster-General Sir Williams Mitchell Thompson, in the House of Commons today. The reference is to be called as soon as practicable, the postmaster-general said.

## THE BEST MEDICINE SHE EVER USED

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills Highly Praised By A Queen

Mrs. David Logan, Theford Mines, West, Que., gives unstinted praise to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, which she has used for many years. Her husband, who was suffering from a severe case of rheumatism, was cured by the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for many years, as occasion required, and have since been cured of all their ailments. Her husband, who was suffering from a severe case of rheumatism, was cured by the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for many years, as occasion required, and have since been cured of all their ailments. Her husband, who was suffering from a severe case of rheumatism, was cured by the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for many years, as occasion required, and have since been cured of all their ailments.

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## A Self-Contained Empire

Britain In Better Position Than Any Other Country In World

Mr. Alfred Mond, whose knowledge of world-wide trade is probably unequalled, has been speaking about the British Empire, reiterating his view concerning it, which he brought forward some time ago. These remarks are very much of the Imperialist nature, and are well worth the view of the world. He said that the Empire is a self-contained empire, and that it is practically what Mr. Alfred Mond desires. His points out that it is not resources the British Empire is more self-contained than any other country in the world, even the United States, his opinion regarding the state of affairs in the States may not particularly please the Americans, as he says their country is compared with the British Empire, is a "trifling proposition scarcely worth regarding." He wishes to see the Empire trade with itself, and he said that by which Great Britain can trade with South Africa, Canada, New Zealand, and the Empire, and he said that the Empire is a self-contained empire, and that it is practically what Mr. Alfred Mond desires.

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## Urges Visits To Dominion

Much To Be Learned At First Hand Says Premier Baldwin

Premier Baldwin paid a high tribute to the educational and training facilities of the Empire Parliamentary Association at the fourteenth annual meeting of the United Kingdom branch of the association in Westminster Hall.

He advocated frequent visits of the members of the association to the branches of the association in the Dominions and to each other, and in this connection he referred to his own experience in Canada last summer. Such visits, he said, tended to remove misunderstandings and to crystallize in the public mind lines of definite Empire policy.

The Premier referred to the proposed visit of a delegation from the United Kingdom branch of the Empire Parliamentary Association to Canada, amounting to the fact that he hoped that the speaker of the House of Commons would head that body which, he said, should be the representative of all parties and should be composed of men who did not regard these periodical visits overseas as simply pleasure jaunts.

## Is Competitor Of Canada

Northern Ireland Large Exporter Of Agricultural Products To Great Britain

Northern Ireland, together with the Free State, makes up one of the strongest competitors of Canada in the export of agricultural products to Great Britain, it is proposed to increase dairy production. There has been an increase of milk cows from 237,000 to 250,000 in 1926. Milk, received at the creameries has shown a gain of approximately 25 per cent. for the first half of 1927, is more than 50 per cent. greater than that received two years ago. Northern Ireland still remains a butter-importing country, however, having the bulk of its supplies from the Free State, but shipments to that country as a result of the increase in domestic production have dropped about 30 per cent. in recent years.

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Only a few miles have a rumble seat but most every one has a grumble seat.  
Buffalo News

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## THE BASSANO MAN.

Wallace J. Smith  
Editor and Publisher

Subscription \$2.00 a year, \$2.50 in the United States

In some parts of central Africa a wife can be purchased for seven dollars. The poor black man has no idea of the value of money.

## NINETEEN TWENTY-EIGHT

The passing of 1927 marks a year of prosperity for Canada, and particularly for this part of the province of Alberta. Fortunate indeed, the Bassano district during the past twelve months, and sent a bountiful harvest. 1927 was a good year, and the people are thankful.  
Another page in the book of time is about to be turned with the coming in of 1928. Clean, white, and unalloyed, the new year comes to us—365 days for clock and every one of us—365 days in which to work, play, do kind deeds, and spread happiness. 365 days of battle in the struggle for existence.

Man has ever sought to open the door that leads to the future and catch a glimpse of what which Fate has in store for us. But with all his skill, all his learning, and all his abstract philosophy, man cannot look into the future. "The thing to be" still remains an unsolved problem, a picture shrouded in the darkness of the days to come.

And the better so, for to learn of the disappointments and sufferings that the future may hold in store for us would spread a shroud of gloom and despair.  
Miles have been made and failures encountered in 1927, and we have experienced as of these we will better fitted to cope with trouble that may confront us in the new year. Fate has cast the dice for 1928. Whatever may be in store for us, whatever pleasures, disappointments, hardships, or happiness, let us face them with courage, determination, and hope, for, in the words of Omar Khayyam:

The moving finger writes, and having writ,  
Moves on; nor all thy piety nor wit  
Shall lure it back to cancel half a line,  
Nor all thy tears wash out a word of it.

## FROM IN MEMORIAM

Ring out wild bells to the wild sky,  
The flying clouds, the frisky light;  
The year is dying in the night;  
Ring out wild bells, and let him die.  
Ring out the old, ring in the new,  
Ring, happy bells, across the snow;  
The year is going, let him go;  
Ring out the false, ring in the true.

Ring out the grief that saps the mind,  
For those that here we see no more;  
Ring out the feud of rich and poor,  
Ring in redress to all mankind.

Ring out a slowly dying cause,  
And ancient forms of party strife;  
Ring in the nobler modes of life,  
With sweeter manners, purer laws.

Ring out the want, the care, the sin,  
The faltering question of the times;  
Ring out, ring out my mournful rhymes,  
But ring the fuller minstrel in.

Ring out false pride in place and blood,  
The civic slander and the spite;  
Ring in the love of truth and right,  
Ring in the common love of good.

Ring out old shapes of foul disease;  
Ring out the narrowing lust of gold;  
Ring out the thousand wars of old,  
Ring in the thousand years of peace.

Ring in the Valiant man and free,  
The larger heart the kindlier hand;  
Ring out the darkness of the land,  
Ring in the Christ that is to be.

—Lord Tennyson

## MANY HOMESTEADS

Edmonton—441 homesteads, and 1 soldier grant were filed on at the Peace River land office during the month of November. This is the largest number on record at that office. A total of 641 homesteads have been taken out through the Peace River office to the end of November this year.

Lord Rosebery once told a story of a ballist who embodied a lot of money. "Back him," suggested an Englishman. "Keep him on and deduct the sum from his wages," was a Scotsman's advice. "But the sum he has embodied is greater than his wages," said the landlord. "Then raise his wages," said an Irishman.

Mrs. Ferguson: "You are a wonderful husband—there is no doubt about that. But what would you be now if it weren't for my money?"  
Mr. Ferguson: "A bachelor."

## LIFE

Give me a taste of life!  
Not a tang of a seasoned wine;  
Not the drag of an unseasoned bread.  
Not the grapes of an untitled vine.  
The life that is really life;  
That comes from no fount afar,  
But springs from the toil and strife  
In the world of things as they are.  
Give me the whole of life!  
The joy, the hope, and the pain.  
The struggle whose end is strength,  
The loss that is infinite gain.  
Not the draught of a cloudless sky,  
Not the rust of a fruitless rest;  
Give me the sun and the storm;  
The calm and the white sea crest.

Give me the best of life!  
To live in the way with God.  
Where the seed that is sown and dies  
Lifts a harvest over the sod.  
Where beauty and truth are one,  
Where the right must have its way,  
Where the stern clouds part for stars,  
And the starlight heralds the day.

Give me the toil of life!  
The muscle and mind to dare,  
No luxury's lap for my head;  
No idly won wealth to share.  
Whether by pick or plane,  
Whether by tongue or pen,  
Let me not live in vain;  
Let me do a man's work among men.

Charles P. Cleaver.

## ALBERTA BUFFALO MEAT FOR ESKIMOS

Fifty buffalo carcasses out of the command recently slaughtered by contract at the Wainwright Park have been reserved by the Northwest branch of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa. The meat of the animals will be ailed and sent to shipment to the Eskimos of the extreme northern part of the Arctic to help replenish their food supply which has been reduced by the minishing of the herds of caribou as parts of their hunting grounds.

## SESSION TO OPEN FEB. 2

The Alberta legislature will convene for its 1928 session on February 2nd, according to the announcement made during the past week by Premier Broderick. It is not expected that the session will be a lengthy one, but the session will be a lengthy one, but the session will be a lengthy one, but the session will be a lengthy one.

## BIG COAL PRODUCTION

Edmonton—A banner year in Alberta coal production is in sight. If the mines continue at their present rate of output. A total of 7,600,000 tons is indicated.

## ROMAN TURKEY RAFFLE

Calgary—Alberta claims to have the world's champion woman raiser of turkeys. This is Mrs. M. A. Freeman, of the Ross Dendro ranch at Ardenburg, near here. Mrs. Freeman won five turkeys in a raffle eight years ago and entered upon turkey raising as a commercial enterprise. Today she has more than 800 brook turkeys. Of these she is selling 500 for the table and another 200 as broilers, retaining 100 for her own ranch. Mrs. Freeman expects to clean up \$2,000 on her venture this year, and will raise as many more next year. She has no trouble in marketing her birds.

## VALLEYMAN MEETS FOXHUNTER

The growing importance of the fur farming industry in Alberta is indicated by the importation during the past week of a shipment of 37 pairs of silver foxes from ranches in the Maritime provinces. These animals, which are valued at \$25,000, were consigned to the National Silver Fox Club at Montville, a newly organized firm which plans to engage in fox breeding on a large scale.

Teacher: "Can anyone tell me where Noah lived?"  
Pupil: "I don't think he had a regular home. I imagine he belonged to the floating population."

## Railway First Aid Champions



First Aid teams of the Canadian Pacific Railway made this year of St. John Ambulance Association competitors in which they were eligible. Outstanding among the trophies won by the various teams of the Railway were the Montclair Trophy, representing the open championship of the Dominion was by the Chippewa, Ontario, team; the Wallace Nesbitt trophy, emblem of the open championship among railways in Canada, the St. John Ambulance trophy, which was won by the Toronto Freight Office and the Sherwood Police Shield, for the highest honors in police competition open to all uniformed forces in the Dominion. This trophy was carried off by the Angus Police Team No. 1 of the Angus force, Montreal.  
In the photograph above is seen the team representing the Toronto Police, officers, holders of the Wallace Nesbitt Railway trophy, Montreal.

have one from left to right, top row: W. T. Warren, A. G. Shaker, first aid instructor of eastern team; and A. T. Currie, Lower row, left to right: C. Selten and E. E. Brail. The team are also holders of the Grand Challenge Cup, representing the championship of the C.P.R. system, the Ontario Cup, emblem of the championship of Ontario district of the Company, and the Shaugnessy Shield, representing the championship of eastern lines. The Wallace Nesbitt trophy is seen in the center above, while below it is the Shaugnessy Shield. At the right is the Grand Challenge Cup and, at the left, the Ontario Cup.  
The various awards were presented to the Canadian Pacific teams in the board room of the Company in Montreal, recently, in the presence of E. W. Healey, Chairman and President of the C.P.R., and a large gathering of the officials; also officers of the St. John Ambulance Association.

Wishing everybody

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Wishing everybody  
A Happy New Year

### City Meat Market

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### Atwater - Kent The Radio Superlative

Many men and women who wanted to offer their families something more than the pleasure of a day, have chosen Atwater Kent Radio as their gift.

This year even more people will solve their problems in the same enduring way. For here, in these simple, beautiful, reliable instruments, is happiness that lasts.

If your home lacks a radio—is not Christmas time to put it there? Or, if you have a set which does not do justice to the really fine programs—what better can you do than replace it with Atwater Kent Radio?

Through the months, the years, every day will renew the satisfaction of the first day and gratitude to the thoughtful giver.

### A. P. PIERSON Atwater - Kent Radios Bassano, Alberta

## A Steady Income

THE DAIRY COW BRINGS IN A STEADY AND UNFAILING INCOME. SHE RETURNS A SUBSTANTIAL PROFIT ON THE MONEY INVESTED. AND BY SHIPPING YOUR CREAM TO THE BASSANO CREAMERY YOU GET THE MOST FOR IT. OUR CUSTOMERS ARE SATISFIED.

### The BASSANO CREAMERY W. A. Brodie, Manager Bassano - Alberta

## Petroleum Coke

It goes further than the best soft coal and, therefore, cuts the cost of heating your home 35 to 50 per cent.  
It is crude oil with the gasoline removed.  
It contains absolutely no ash or other waste.  
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It is easy to fire and easy to learn how to fire.  
It is burned instead of coal or wood in any stove or furnace.  
It saves you money with less work, worry and attention in firing.  
Do not confuse Petroleum Coke with Coal Coke, which contains ash.  
Resolve to get away from the daily ash pan this winter. Burn something that will turn coal-draggery into a pleasant experience. It is large, lumpy, and bright.

### Crown Lumber Co. M. E. Granlund, Local Manager

## We Sell 'Em

Write, or phone  
506 Gem

Watch for bills of Mrs.  
Mary Hayden's sale at  
Gem, on January 10th.

### B. T. GRAY Auctioneer

### Local News

Mr. and Mrs. W. Blankstein were in Calgary for Christmas.

I. Young spent Christmas at his home in Gleichen.

Jimmie Donaldson was home from Brooks for Christmas.

Jacky Bulmer is home from Calgary for the Christmas holidays.

Marion Haynes was a visitor to Calgary early in the week.

J. P. Royer was in from Gem Wednesday.

Miss Ethel Holmes, who teaches at Majorville, is home for the Christmas vacation.

Magistrate A. G. Bond went to Empress Wednesday to conduct court in that town.

Miss Irene Johnston, who teaches at the Lethbridge school, is home for the Christmas holidays.

Ralph Johnston, school principal at Wayne, is home for the Christmas holiday.

Mrs. O. Hartley is spending her Christmas vacation with relatives in Edmonton and Hawthorn.

Mr. and Mrs. A. McKee spent Christmas in Medicine Hat with Mrs. McKee's sister, Mrs. Childer.

Gordon Foster is spending the Christmas vacation at his home in Calgary.

Miss Mary Kilgusman spent the Christmas holiday at her home in Coleman.

Rex H. A. Barton, of Standard, was a visitor to Bassano on Wednesday, returning Thursday morning.

Roy McDonald, of the Bassano school teaching staff, is spending the Christmas vacation with friends at Tudor.

E. C. Martin, who left Makepeace this fall, has bought a home in Spokane, Washington, where he now resides.

Miss Helen Nicol went home to Calgary Thursday night last week. She will teach in the city at the opening of the new year term.

Stanley Michael is training at the Calgary Y.M.C.A. for his bout here on January 15th with Earl Septon, Calgary colored boxer.

Sergeant Robt. S. Wright went to Hesser Thursday morning to install the officers of the Hesser Lodge A.F. & A.M.

The Hinton-Simpson orchestra is holding a dance in the Oddfellows' Hall on Friday evening this week, December 30th.

The Bassano Fire Department put on their annual banquet in the Hunter Hotel on Wednesday evening this week. They plan to hold a wild drive and dance on Friday, January 25th.

Mrs. Mary Hayden, of Gem, will hold an auction sale of all her farm stock, implements, and household goods, on Tuesday, January 10th. Ben Gray, the Gem auctioneer, will handle the sale.

It was the first council meeting the new district councillor had attended, and he listened gravely to the report of the medical officer, the statistics in which frankly puzzled him. For example, owing to the typhoid epidemic the deaths for the month had been at the rate of "fifteen point five." What on earth did "fifteen point five" mean?

In his perplexity he sought the advice of a fellow councillor, whose long experience of local government matters seemed to promise enlightenment.

"Oh, that's easy enough," said the veteran. "Fifteen point five means fifteen dead and five at the point of death."



### Japanese Oranges for Canadian Christmas

Rather more than four oranges for every man, woman and child in Canada as a total of 482,000 boxes of this fragrant fruit were landed at Pier "B-C" of the Canadian Pacific Railway at Vancouver in December, and were rushed through the prairie provinces and to the east of Canada for the Christmas trade. Photograph shows the first of these C.P.R. trains across Canada leaving the pier on its rush east. Three

more trains followed it at short intervals from the pier, and in all seven special trains were used to convey this huge consignment. The likelihood is therefore pretty strong that many of the oranges you may see hanging from Christmas trees or peeping out of Christmas stockings were grown in the Land of the Rising Sun. It is further an indication of the great trade passing through the port of Vancouver.

### COMMUNICABLE DISEASES AND HOW TO AVOID THEM

(Advice of a Red Cross Nurse)

Communicable diseases are what most people call "catching" diseases. Formerly they were called "contagious" or "infectious," but these terms are going out of use.

Persons who know how communicable diseases are spread will be able to take care for a patient in such a way as to lessen the danger of the disease to the other members of the family and the community.

To prevent the spread of communicable diseases is just as important a duty of the home nurse as is the care and comfort of the patient.

Each kind of communicable disease is caused by its own kind of germ. Disease germs are spread by the discharges of the nose, throat, bladder, and bowels. These germs often discharge may be carried to other persons directly by a spray from a cough or sneeze, foods, the common drinking cup, towels, unclean hands, etc., all are indirect causes for disease. Germs enter the body of another person through the mouth, nose, or rarely through breaks in the skin.

The three "F's" in the transfer of communicable diseases are food, food, and fingers.

The common house fly breeds in filth and may carry on its legs thousands of disease germs. Keep the fly out; kill it. Food handled by unclean hands, or food exposed to the flies, becomes as dirty as the flies themselves, and may plant the diseases directly into the human system. Never handle food without first washing your hands. Fingers collect germs and dirt from ordinary objects of every day use that have been contaminated by the body secretions of some other person. The fingers are constantly making unnecessary trips to the mouth. Teach your child to avoid thumbucking at home and school.

Every mother should read about diseases common to children, and with the excellent health literature at her disposal from the Red Cross Society there is no longer any excuse for ignorance. A package of literature will be mailed to any home in Alberta free of charge. Write direct to the Red Cross Civic Building, Edmonton, for reading on the subject of communicable diseases.

### HATS OFF TO THE MAIL MAN

Oh, Tommy, Tommy Atkins, you're a brave and plucky scout.

You're a credit to the Colony and the district round about.

You're the postman of the prairie. You're the man to bring the news.

God bless you, Tommy Atkins. Here's a neighbor's wish to you: May you always land there safely.

When you carry the mail from the Colony

To Bassano on the line.

In your duty as a mail man

You travel the prairie trail;

When blizzards rear, snowstorms

are never

You're never been known to fail. You're the postman of the prairie.

You're the man to bring the news; May health and wealth be yours, Tommy.

In the Colony's wish to you.

May you always land there safely. May you always be on time.

When you carry the mail from the Colony

To Bassano on the line.

In all community affairs you take a great big share.

At parties, dances, picnics, too. You manage to get there.

May you always have a real good time.

With lots of friends around.

Good luck attend you always.

Be dem's greeting safe and sound.

You're the postman of the prairie.

You're the man to bring the news; A happy Christmas, Tommy.

May happy New Year, too.

May you always land there safely. May you always be on time.

When you carry the mail from the Colony

To Bassano on the line.

### USEFULNESS OF MAPS People Are Realizing More and More Their Value

When the art of printing was first utilized for the publication of books only a small proportion of the population in any of the then civilized countries of the world could read, and in fact, it was a long time afterward before people generally could use books for themselves. Nowadays more books are being sold than ever before, but people buy them to read

and use. With better general education the greater is the demand for books of all kinds. The same may be said to be true of maps; as more people learn to use them so does the demand increase. And it is equally true that one must learn to read a map and be able to use it, just as one must learn to read words before the printed page is of any significance. A map is not a word picture, nor is it a photograph, although it contains elements of both. Especially in this true of the topographic map which is the most complete example of the map maker's skill, and serves many purposes. It is the record of the natural and cultural features of any area, and one of the means of aiding development. Such a map shows the arable lands, industrial areas, forest areas, water power sites, and storage basins, reclamation projects, irrigation areas, surface conformation, etc.

One of the large map making organizations of the dominion government is the Topographical Survey, Department of the Interior. During recent years, this service has been issuing as rapidly as possible topographical maps of various areas throughout Canada, all being co-

ordinated in the National Topographic series. Thus, eventually the whole country will be mapped without overlapping or without any part being missed. Mapping is, however, a slow process and it will be many years before the whole country will be thus included. As each new map is issued more people are interested. In order to inform people of the maps and publications issued by the Topographical Survey will be sent, free upon request.

### GOOD RETURNS FOR SEASON'S WOOL CROP

A total of \$27,351.65 has been distributed among farmers in the central and northern part of the province in payment for their 1927 wool clip handled by the Alberta Provincial Sheep Breeders' Association and sold through the Canadian Co-operative Wool Growers' Ltd. The total wool shipments amounted to 113,059 lbs., and an average of 24.58 cents per lb. was realized. The price while comparing favorably with that of last year, was reduced to some extent by the high percentage of inferior grades in the 1927 clip.



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### Motorist Engulfed in Flood



When this bridge collapsed beneath him as he was driving across, Fred Gelineau of Sherbrooke had an astonishing escape from death during the recent Quebec floods. Swept downstream by the mad waters Mr. Gelineau struggled to shore after a fight that lasted a mile and a half. His Chevrolet, after being buried under fifteen feet of water for two days, was found as shown in the picture, practically undamaged, when the floods receded. Only a wet coil prevented the motorist from driving off, after the car was hauled out a touch of the starter turned over the motor.







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We wish you all A Very  
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**JACK TORGAN**

# A.F. A.M. INSTAL 1928 OFFICERS

Bassano Masons Instal New Officers  
For Year 1928

The officers of Bassano Lodge No. 5, A.F. & A.M. were installed at a meeting held in the Masonic Hall on Tuesday evening, December 27th. The 1928 officers are:  
W. M.—Bro. M. D. Macdonald  
L. P. M.—W. Bro. W. J. Redmond  
S. W.—Bro. E. K. Picken  
I. W.—Bro. W. H. Buchanan  
Treas.—Bro. A. T. Connolly  
Sec'y.—W. Bro. H. H. Greber  
Chap.—Bro. W. S. Weir  
J. D.—Bro. A. G. Scott  
I. D.—Bro. A. G. Wood  
S. S. Bro. H. T. Johnson  
I. S.—Bro. W. J. Smith  
J. O. C.—R. W. Bro. R. H. Struthers  
Registrar—W. Bro. O. H. Travis  
Treasurer—W. Bro. I. B. Donaldson  
Tyler—Bro. Chas. Hopkins

Changed His Destination  
First Colored Lady—"Yo' husband  
is in de hospital. 'Ah thought he was  
just off on a jag."  
"He was, but I interrupted him."

## UNITED LIVESTOCK GROWERS TO CONTINUE IN ALBERTA

That the business of the United Livestock Growers will be carried on as heretofore on the stockyards at Calgary and Edmonton was the decision reached at a meeting of the directors of the United Grain Growers in Winnipeg during the past week. The board had previously recommended at the annual meeting of the company that the business be closed in Alberta, the U.L.G. giving way to the Alberta Co-operative Producers Ltd., who planned to open their own selling agencies in the province, but this was voted down at the annual meeting and preparations which had been made for closing the branch offices of the U.L.G. at Calgary and Edmonton and at St. Boniface, Manitoba, have been cancelled.

## CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our heartfelt thanks to the people of Cluny district for their sympathy and kindness in our recent bereavement, and for the many beautiful floral tributes.  
Mr. and Mrs. L. Wood.  
Cluny.

## Knox Presbyterian Church

Rev. A. O. Thomson, minister  
Mrs. A. A. MacGregor and Mrs. D. Cathro—Organists

Lord's Day, January 1st, 1928  
7.30 p.m.—Special New Year's Service; subject, New Year's Message.  
Choir Practice—Friday, Dec. 29th, at 7.45, at the home of Mrs. J. W. E. Sambrook.

Young People's Social Evening Jan. 4th at Mr. Plummer's home.  
January 8th the Communion of the Lord's Supper will be observed. Members of other communions are cordially invited to participate.

## APPLICATION FOR LEASE OF ROAD ALLOWANCE OR SURVEYED HIGHWAY

NOTICE is hereby given that H. J. Walsh, of Bassano, Alberta, has made application to the Minister of Public Works, Edmonton, for a lease of the following road allowance or surveyed highway, viz.—adjoining the east boundary of the Northeast Quarter of Sec. 31, Twp. 19, Rge. 17, West of 4th Meridian, and the East boundary of the Southeast Quarter of Sec. 25, Twp. 19, Rge. 16, West 4th Meridian.

Any protest against the granting of the above mentioned lease must be forwarded to the Minister of Public Works, Edmonton, within thirty days from the date of this notice.

Dated at Bassano, Alberta.

H. J. WALSH,

(applicant)

December 29th, 1927.

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## NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR DIVORCE

NOTICE is hereby given that IRENE MATHILDA DALLINGER, of the Town of Millcourt, in the Province of Alberta, Married Woman, will apply to the Parliament of Canada at the next session thereof, for a Bill of Divorce from her husband, GEORGE DALLINGER, of the City of Toronto, in the County of York, Province of Ontario, on the grounds of adultery and desertion.

Dated at Toronto, in the County of York, Province of Ontario, this 16th day of December, A.D. 1927.

HUBBELL NEBBITT,

514 Temple Building  
Toronto, Ontario.

Solicitor for the applicant.

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